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SUBJECT: TOURIST RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL TO HUNZA AND
NORTHERN AREAS

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS NOTIFIED WANDERLUST TOURS AND FLYING
CARPET TOURS OF APPARENT CLOSURE OF HUNZA AREA TO TOURISTS
(REFTEL). BOTH AGENCIES AGREED THAT THERE HAD BEEN
DIFFICULTIES FOR TOURISTS IN RECENT MONTHS, BUT WISHED
MORE DEFINITIVE STATEMENT OF GOP INTENTIONS.

2. DEPARTMENT NOTES OCT. 8 ARTICLE BY TED MORELLO IN
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR (COPY BEING POUCHED, ATTENTION
AMSTUTZ) WHICH UNDERLINES OPENING OF HUNZA TO TOURISM
AND SAYS 40-ROOM INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL NOW BEING
CONSTRUCTED NEAR MIR'S PALACE. PERHAPS THIS APPARENT
CONTRADICTION COULD USEFULLY BE BROUGHT TO ATTENTION
MINISTRY OF TOURISM OFFICIALS. KISSINGER

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